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DEPT PASS TO NASA HQ, CODE I

E.O.11652: GDS
TAGS: TSPA, JA
SUBJECT: PROBLEMS WITH GMS SATELLITE?

1. AMERICAN EMPLOYEE OF U.S. AEROSPACE COMPANY WITH OFFICES IN JAPAN HAS TOLD EMBOFF THAT A RUMOR IS CIRCULATING THROUGH PARTS OF SPACE INDUSTRY THAT GMS SATELLITE IS NOT POSITIONED PROPERLY AND IS NOT FUNCTIONING WELL. SATELLITE IS SAID TO BE 2.5 DEGREES OFF FROM DESIRED POSITION (LAT.? LONG.?) MECHANICALLY DESPUN ANTENNA CURRENTS ARE TOO HIGH, AND THERE IS FUEL IMBALANCE FOR ATTITUDE CONTROL THRUSTERS.

2. U.S. COMPANY IS COMPETING WITH NIPPON ELECTRIC IN TRYING TO SELL SATELLITE MEEOROLOGICAL SERVICES TO FOUR SE ASIA COUNTRIES. AMERICAN PROPOSAL ENVISAGES USE OF NOAA-3 AND -4 SATELLITES. IF JAPANESE SATTLITE IS IN DIFFICULTY, THIS WOULD BE USED TO SUPPORT AMERICAN PROPOSAL.

3. CASUAL CHECK ON GMS STATUS WITH STA SPACE INTERNATIONAL OFFICE, IN COURSE OF DISCUSSION ON OTHER MATTERS AND NOT REVEALING INFO IN PARAS 1 AND 2 ABOVE, ELICITED RESPONSE THAT GMS WAS PERFORMING SATISFACTORILY.

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4. CAN DEPT. OR NASA CONFIRM OR DENY REPORT? IF FORMER, CAN INFO BE PASSED TO U.S. COMPANY? REQUEST EARLY REPLY. REQUEST THIS MESSAGE BE STRICTLY PROTECTED AND NOT PASSED TO CONTRACTORS.
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